IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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REPLY TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION (37 CFR §1.111(a)(1))

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action having a mailing date of July 27, 2006, please amend and reconsider the above-identified application as follows:

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.